

his personal envoy on the issue of Iraqi debt, James A. Baker III, to discuss Presidential Envoy Baker's recent trips to Europe and Asia.

In the afternoon, the President returned to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX. Later, he participated in briefings with Presidential Envoy Baker and National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice.

### **January 2**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

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## **Nominations Submitted to the Senate**

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NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

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## **Checklist of White House Press Releases**

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The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

### **Released December 27**

Statement by the Press Secretary on the U.S. Government's deployment of humanitarian

assistance to the people of Iran following the earthquake in Bam

### **Released December 29**

Transcript of a press gaggle by Deputy Press Secretary Trent Duffy

### **Released December 30**

Transcript of a press gaggle by Deputy Press Secretary Trent Duffy

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary announcing that the President approved the designation of 37 sub-Saharan African countries as eligible for tariff preferences under the African Growth and Opportunity Act

### **Released December 31**

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary announcing that the President directed the Secretary of State and Secretary of the Treasury to take significant steps to expedite disaster relief and humanitarian aid operations in response to the earthquake in Bam, Iran

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## **Acts Approved by the President**

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NOTE: No acts approved by the President were received by the Office of the Federal Register during the period covered by this issue.